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To: Field Managers, Arcata, Bakersfield, Folsom, Hollister, Palm Springs-South

Coast, Redding, and Ukiah

From: State Director, California

Subject: Section 7 Consultation Requests Submitted to National Marine Fisheries Service

The Regional Administrator of the National Marine Fisheries Service (aka NOAA Fisheries) recently requested that future Section 7 consultation requests from BLM and other action agencies be submitted to NMFS offices as follows:

To further streamline the consultation initiation process, I request that you send all requests for consultation directly to my attention care of the Area Office with jurisdiction over the project area. Statewide consultations, those with project areas overlapping Area Office jurisdictions, and those that fall within the Long Beach Area Office's jurisdiction should still be sent to me at the Regional Office. For requests sent to the other Area Offices, copies to me at the Regional Office are not necessary.

The administrative boundaries of NMFS Offices within the Southwest Region are depicted on the attached map. The mailing addresses for the four NMFS offices in California that perform Section 7 consultations are as follows:

Southwest Regional Office Arcata Area Office, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200 1655 Heindon Road Long Beach, California 90802-4213 Arcata, California 95521

Sacramento Area Office

650 Capitol Mall, Suite 6070

Sacramento, California 95814-4706

Santa Rosa Area Office

777 Sonoma Avenue, Room 325

Sacramento, California 95814-4706

Santa Rosa California 95404

For all formal consultation requests submitted to NMFS, please provide CA-930 (Attn: Ed Lorentzen) with a copy of the transmittal letter. Copies of the transmittal memorandums

submitted to the Fish and Wildlife Service on formal consultation requests should also provided to CA-930.

If you have questions regarding NMFS consultation procedures, the Regional NMFS Section 7 contact person is Penny Ruvelas, who may be reached at (562) 980-4197. Questions regarding BLM procedures for initiating Section 7 consultations may be directed to Ed Lorentzen at (916) 978-4646.

Signed by: James Wesley Abbott Associate State Director Authenticated by: Richard A. Erickson Records Management

Attachment

1 - Map Showing Field Office Jurisdictional Boundaries, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service (1 p.)

Distribution

WO-230, MS 204 LS (Attn: Karl Stein)

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